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From: Environmental Scientist, Mining, South Central Region

Subject: Tour of Jackpile-Paguate Mine Complex - Anaconda Copper Company

On July 17, 1980, at the request of the Special Assistant - Minerals for the Assistant Secretary for Energy and Minerals, a tour of the Jackpile-Paguate Uranium Mine Complex was given by the South Central Region - Mining personnel and Anaconda Copper Company.

Attending the tour were:

Richard Wilson	Special Assistant - Minerals - DOI
Tom Loomis	Office of Environmental Project Review - DOI
Edward T. Sandell, Jr.	Acting Deputy Conservation Manager - Mining, SCR, USGS
Marc Nelson	Environmental Scientist, Mining, SCR
Dale Jones	Mining Engineer, SCR, USGS
Charles Albrecht	Environmental Scientist - Environment Affairs Office, USGS
Darwin Alt	Environmental Scientist - Environment Affairs Office, USGS
George Farris	Environmental Quality Office - BIA
Paul Garding	Mining Engineer - BIA
Meade Stirland	Manager, Environment, Health, and Safety, Anaconda Copper Company

The tour lasted three hours, and covered all portions of the open pit operation. No underground tour was conducted.

Following the tour, discussions were held between the Departmental attendees and the South Central Region personnel on NEPA compliance for the mine's reclamation and abandonment. Except for the need for immediate decisions and action, the discussion produced little agreement.

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